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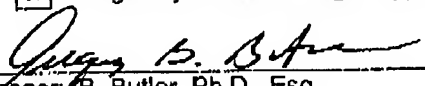
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				Art Unit 1634	
Applicant(s): Michael G. Goggins et al.					
Invention: METHYLATED GENE BIOMARKERS FOR DETECTING CANCER					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated September 20, 2007.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement. In particular, it is believed that multiple groups can be searched and examined together without undue burden. Additionally, considerable time and expense will be saved if all claims can be considered at this time, rather than pursuing multiple divisional applications.

To provide a complete response, Applicants elect Group I which includes claims 1-14 and 17-23, as that Group is defined in the Office Action.

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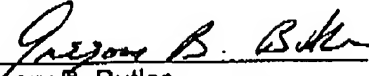
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Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

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